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CHANDLER, Charles

Copy of FBI memo of December 13 at N. Y. concerning Captain Chandler per your conversation with Mr. Buford,

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Chandler Case

telegram sent

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Mr. [redacted] is talking to
FBI about the
inordinate delay in an
urgent case.
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On December 9, 1968, [redacted]
of the late Captain Charles Chandler, and [redacted]
[redacted] were interviewed by a Special
Agent of this Bureau, regarding certain details of the
assassination [redacted] in Sao Paulo, Brazil, on
October 12, 1968. [redacted] is currently living with
[redacted]

They were first shown a Volkswagen sedan
color chart, captioned "Catalogo De Cores Volkswagen."

A [redacted] advised that none of the
colors on the chart were even close to the color of
the car utilized in the shooting [redacted]
[redacted] said that the car appeared to her to have a
very dull finish, much like a non-professional paint
job, and was of a medium beige or tan color, much
lighter than the color listed on the above chart as
"beige Nilo". The color of the Volkswagen was described
by [redacted] as a medium to light tan."

Next, information was obtained from [redacted]
[redacted] to be utilized in the preparation of artist's
conception drawings.

[redacted] advised that all of the social
acquaintances of [redacted] were American
Consulate personnel, and that there were no military
personnel other than Captain Chandler. She said that
these people are well known to the American Consulate
General in Sao Paulo, and that she could imagine nothing
in their relationship with these people which would be
connected with this crime, and knew of no way in which
these people could be of assistance any more than they
already have been.

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She said that while assigned to the American Consulate in Sao Paulo, Captain Chandler was a student at the University of Sao Paulo, and had numerous students as acquaintances. However, these were most generally classroom acquaintanceships, and [redacted] could recall no names or other information to identify these people. On a few occasions she had met some of these people, but only briefly, at a social or school function, and likewise, she had no recollection of their identities.

5 " [redacted] added that a situation possibly connected [redacted] killing was the fact that the American participation and activities in the Viet Nam conflict were sore points with many people in Brazil, and among other students at the University. Captain Chandler was often challenged by student acquaintances regarding the American position in Viet Nam, and he would always firmly defend the United States position. He felt quite strongly in favor of the United States position, and [redacted] felt that his opinions bothered many, particularly those with Communist leanings. He often mentioned to her that he had "made a point" with one of his "Communist friends" at the University, after engaging in arguments or debates with them, and felt that he had actually won them over to his way of thinking on many matters. Again, [redacted] was unable to furnish any information regarding the identities of these people.

6 " Further, [redacted] said that shortly before his death, Captain Chandler and others were planning on giving a series of informal lectures at the University, explaining the United States position in Viet Nam. He was to give the first lecture the week prior to his death, but it was postponed, because it was felt that there could be adverse reaction, which would affect the visit to Brazil of United States Army Chief of Staff Westmoreland, which was scheduled at that time. Captain Chandler was rescheduled to give the first lecture a few days after October 12, 1968, but at the suggestion of Brazilian authorities, the lectures were finally cancelled.

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7 " Captain Chandler/ had done considerable research at the University and elsewhere on population progress, production and other economic matters in Brazil, and had written some factual, though apparently not controversial, pamphlets and books. Again she said that it was remotely possible that some facts or theories set forth in Captain Chandler's writings may have offended certain individuals.

8 " She added that she had heard that some literature was found at the scene of the shooting, denouncing Captain Chandler as a war criminal, and she previously had heard him use that expression in describing how some people in Brazil felt about him and the United States Military in general, all stemming back to the Viet Nam conflict.

9 " She said that it was her opinion [] [] was slain for his strong pro-American opinions, and his military position, rather than merely as an expression of dislike for the United States. She also felt that if in fact Captain Chandler did win some so called Communists over to his way of thinking, that certain anti-American elements might have become concerned or angered over his influence on their people, and feared further conversions.

10 " She furnished one additional piece of information which she believed she had previously given to other authorities. At approximately 7:00 a.m., on October 13, 1968, the day after the shooting, [] a telephone call at [] from a Portuguese speaking male. The man said that he knew who had killed [] and that it was the Sao Paulo Police. She said that she had subsequently heard that a vigilante group had been formed to eliminate enemies of the police, and to emerge murders of police officers. However, it is her understanding that this group has struck against only known criminals, and she felt certain that Captain Chandler would not be the target of such a group. "

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